

TRAVEL GUIDE TO CHANIA

All information to travel to Chania are available on CIHEAM website :
<https://confer.maich.gr/info/travel.html>



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*****Travelling to Chania*****

By airplane

[Chania International Airport](#) is the closest airport. [Heraklion](#) can be an alternative but a bus journey would take 3 hours.

Check also some direct flights to Chania airport : <https://confer.maich.gr/info/airports.html>

There are direct charter and scheduled flights connecting Chania with many European cities such as [RYANAIR](#) and [Easyjet](#). More airlines connecting Chania with different international airports can be found at the [Chania Airport web site](#).

Please contact your travel agent for details about charter flight schedules.

Domestic flights from the [Athens International Airport](#) are also frequent and are carried out by [Olympics](#), [Aegean Airlines](#) and [Sky Express](#).

By ferry

Ferries to Chania (Souda port) leave from Athens (Piraeus port) on a daily basis. The overnight/daytime trip with [ANEK](#) lines takes about 9 hours. Please check the web sites for ferry schedules. Also note that there is a direct [bus service](#) connecting Athens International Airport with Piraeus port. More information about public transport in Athens can be found [here](#).

[Chania](#) can be reached by coach from the city of [Heraklion](#) situated 145 km (90 miles) from Chania. The bus fare is about 15€ and takes about 2.5 hours. The taxi costs approximately **180€ - 200€**. Heraklion, being the biggest city of Crete, is directly connected with charter/scheduled flights with many European cities. Flights to/from Athens are also frequent. Ferries from Piraeus travel to Heraklion every day. The overnight/daytime trip with [MINOAN](#) lines takes between 7-8 hours.

Visas for Foreigners traveling to Greece

For VISA Information please follow the link <https://www.mfa.gr/en/visas/visas-for-foreigners-traveling-to-greece/>

*****The conference Center*****

The Conference Center of CIHEAM Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (MAI.ch) is located 3 km south-east of Chania city centre, 13 km from Chania airport and 1 km from the port of Souda.

The city center of Chania can be reached by bus **No13**. Buses leave every 20min and the bus stop is located outside the MAI.Ch premises on the main street (Souda Avenue).

Tickets cost **1.10€** one way and should be obtained in advance at any kiosk downtown. Please take into consideration that when the ticket is purchased on the bus the price rises to **2€**.

The timetable that connects MAI.Ch with the city center (AGORA-the terminal stop as well as the departure stop from the city center to MAI.Ch, bus No13 also departs from square 1866 which is closer to the KTEL bus station than AGORA terminal station) can be found in the [Chania City Bus website](#)".

Taxis to the city centre cost about **10€**.

The port of Souda can also be reached by bus. Taxis to Souda cost approximately **8-10€**.

(Prices recorded in May 2022.)

How to reach MAI.Ch from the Airport

The best way to reach MAI.Ch from the airport is to take a taxi. There is no direct line connecting MAI.Chania with the airport. The taxi costs approximately **28€**. There is a taxi station just across the exit of arrivals at the airport so you don't have to book a taxi ahead.

There is a local bus that can take you to the Central Bus Station in the city center (**KTEL**) from the airport (You can find the timetable at [West Crete Bus Service website](#)). Bus tickets from airport to Chania city centre cost **2.50€**.

How to reach MAI.Ch from the city center

Then you can take a taxi from the city center and come to MAI.Chania. The cost is approximately 10Euro. There is a taxi station at the 1866 square about 30 meters away from the exit gate at the bus station (KTEL) on your right.

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Hotels in Chania

Participants interested in Accommodation at MAICh (Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania) premises should download the accommodation form which can be found on the [MAICh accommodation page](#).

<http://confer.maich.gr/facilities/accommodation.html>

You also have plenty of hotels in Chania. Here is a short list, proposed by CIHEAM MAICh for our EuAWE event :

To secure the special price, participants should mention EUAWE@ MAICh when making their reservation there :

HOTEL	period	ROOM TYPE	RATE PER NIGHT BB (€)	website
KRITI 3*+	price available from 11/05 to 10/06	STANDARD SINGLE	93	www.kriti-hotel.gr
		STANDARD DBL/TWIN	113	
		SUPERIOR DBL/TWIN	127	
		SUP. DBL/TWIN S/V	137	
KYDON 4*	Prices available from 28 to 31 may	CLASSIC SGL USE	108	www.kydonhotel.com
		CLASSIC DBL	120	
		COMFORT SGL USE	116	
		COMFORT DBL	130	
		SUP. SGL USE old town view	129	
		SUP. DBL old town view	145	
	Prices available from 1 to 10th june	CLASSIC SGL USE	119	
		CLASSIC DBL	133	
		COMFORT SGL USE	129	
		SUP. SGL USE old town view	144	

		SUP. DBL old town view	158	
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extra tax : 1,5 - 3€ pp/per night

ARKADI HOTEL www.arkadi-hotel.gr	Rates 2023 per room per day with br	Pax	May	June
	Single room	1	75€	83€
	Standard double/twin	2	81€	89€
	Triple room	3	102€	119€
	Superior double	2	85€	94€
	Double/twin city view	2	90€	98€
	Superior double with city view -upper floor	2	99€	106€

Weather / Climate

The climate is relatively mild, Mediterranean. During the fall and winter months north and northwest winds dominate, while in the summer the ill winds make it enjoyable. But the divine gift of the eternal sunshine allows one to start their vacation from March and end it at the end of October.

Chania has the largest amount of water in Crete (65%), and for this there is rich vegetation of plants and fruitful trees (citrus trees, olives, vines etc.) as well as semitropicals. The very clean beaches of Chania win always the "blue flags" of Europe and are accessible for all ages throughout the year.

In summer, be prepared for hot temperatures: Bring sun-block, dark glasses, and a hat.

Get the [Chania Weather Forecast](#)